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LETTER TO VETERANS for Veterans Day

Today, you are going to write a letter to the veterans at the VA Hospital here in Salt Lake City. Before you start, think about why we have a day to honor our country's veterans. What have they done for us? Why should we appreciate their service to us and to our country? (You can use the back of this paper to jot down your thoughts.)

Are you ready to start writing?

Begin your letter with the salutation: "Dear Veterans,"

Next, identify yourself. Tell who you are (a student) and something about yourself. For example: "I am in the 4th grade at Franklin Elementary School. We are learning about Veterans Day."

Here you can tell something you know or have just learned about Veterans Day, or say what you are doing special for Veterans Day (watching a video, going to a parade, listening to a news story, reading an article etc.).

Now tell the veterans that you appreciate all they have done (protecting us, defending us, keeping our country free, making the world a safer place for everyone...). You can also say that you recognize the sacrifices that they have made for our country (risking their lives, being away from their families, being in danger, maybe even getting injured...).

End by thanking the veterans for their service to you and to our country.

Close with "Sincerely," or "Truly," followed by the signature. You can either sign the letter "Ms. Freedman's 4th Grade Class," or you can sign your own name.

This is just an example of how to write your letter. Your letter can be shorter with a drawing on it. Or you can make it into a card.

Have fun and good writing!